

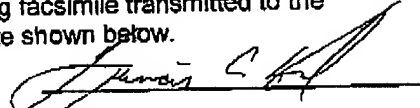
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Serial No: 09/879,872  
Filed: JUNE 12, 2001  
TITLE: BLOODLESS CATHETER

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

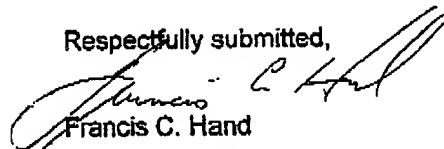
It is respectfully requested that the Shortened Statutory Period for responding to the Office Action  
of July 15, 2002 be extended two months to December 15, 2002.

A response to the Office Action is being filed herewith.

Please charge the fee of \$200.00 (small entity) and any additional fees that may be required to  
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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